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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

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6,199,831	Patrick et al.	March 13, 2001
5,267,724	Heath et al.	December 7, 1993
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Copies of these references are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449.

The listed references relate to fence structures. The relevance of these patents is discussed in the above-referenced patent application. References provided that are not cited in the

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Respectfully submitted,

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